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has been here and made inquiries as to the origin of the sickness on board outward.

In the meantime, the Tyne port sanitary officers are keeping a strict watch on the vessel and everything possible has been done to prevent a further outbreak.

Respectfully, HORACE W. METCALF,
United States Consul.

Hon. ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE.

A death from plague at Cardiff, Wales.

[Cablegram.]

WASHINGTON, D. C., *February 8, 1901.*

One death, plague, Cardiff, February 1. No cases known. Rats infected.

THOMAS.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

FRANCE.

Quarantine against Hull.

PARIS, FRANCE, *January 28, 1901.*

SIR: I have the honor to inform you that the minister of the interior has given the following order to the sanitary officer of the port of Havre.

"The port of Hull (England) must be considered as infected by plague and all ports of Great Britain must be watched with the greatest vigilance.

"Vessels coming from Hull should go to Havre and there undergo the regulation disinfection."

Respectfully, S. B. GRUBBS,
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

JAPAN.

Report from Yokohama—Status of plague in the Empire.

YOKOHAMA, JAPAN, *January 15, 1901.*

SIR: I have the honor to notify you that since the date of my last report, January 7, but 1 case of plague has, within my knowledge, been met with in Japan proper. This occurred in Wakayama on January 1, and was fatal.

A few cases of plague are reported as occurring in Tainan, Formosa, at the end of December and beginning of the present month.

No other quarantinable disease is reported from any part of this Empire.

Respectfully, STUART ELDRIDGE,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.